

16 March 1966

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Morning Meeting of 16 March 1966

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ADD/I noted late word [REDACTED] on a "special interest" Soviet cargo ship carrying military goods to the Far East. The ship is en route to Djakarta. It carries 23 tons of aviation spare parts and 2 1/2 tons of materiel for the experimental Indonesian nuclear reactor facility. It is not certain that the ship will go on to NVN.

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Godfrey noted signs of deployment of Soviet instrumentation ships in the Pacific. It is not certain whether arrangements are under way for ICBM or space activities.

Godfrey and [REDACTED] noted recent embassy cable traffic concerning the situation in Vietnam in the wake of the Thi ouster and Buddhist demonstrations. It was agreed that at any meeting of the Unger committee [REDACTED] will urge against the proposition that Thi at some later time be invited back to take on a government post under Ky.

DD/S noted that moves are under way to occupy the Ames Building in Rosslyn. Moves will be completed by 21 March.

DD/S noted that on 14 March ground was broken in the Headquarters area for construction of a printing services building. Construction will take eighteen months.

Houston reported that Representative Rogers of Florida will be at Headquarters for lunch on 18 March.

DD/S&T tabled a listing of the inventory and availability of USAF Falcon anti-radar missiles. DCI wants to know whether any Falcons are available and being carried by operational aircraft over Vietnam.

~~SECRET EYES ONLY~~

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DD/S&T noted that a SAC U-2 over North Vietnam was jumped last night by MIG's and was forced to abort the mission.

DD/S&T said he would be discussing the Soviet ABM program with John Foster, who has been asked by the SecDef to provide personal views on the nature and extent of this program.

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DD/S&T initiated a discussion of COMOR and BNE papers to be discussed at USIB tomorrow dealing with OXCART deployment and Far Eastern reconnaissance. It was noted that INR is said to believe that the current draft of the OXCART reaction estimate is too "comforting."

At DCI inquiry DD/S&T explained the current analytic effort involved in trying to determine whether a recent Soviet missile shot, which presents various anomalies, was fueled by a solid propellant. The case is not clear at the moment.

DD/P reported on his trip to Africa. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] He noted the importance of ensuring against cutbacks in the Congo paramilitary program and said he would meet with Komer, Secretary Vance, and Alexis Johnson to discuss this.

Executive Director noted that the next interagency war game will take place between 19 and 26 April and will deal with an [REDACTED] conflict.

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Executive Director noted receipt of a letter from BOB Director Schultze who has written to Senator Hayden and Representative Mahon about the CIA budget for FY 1967.

At DDCI inquiry Houston said that Representative Mahon will not find an opportunity to visit NPIC for about two weeks. Nothing new is in hand on possibilities for a visit by Representative Rivers.

~~SECRET EYES ONLY~~


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ACTIONS:

1. DCI requests that OGC arrange a briefing session with the Russell subcommittee. Such a briefing has not taken place for some time.

2. ONE is requested to give DDCI today a brief assessment of today's Alsop column which cites certain figures pertaining to logistics and military forces. (ONE - In the course of the day) DONE

3. OCI is to continue to produce a weekly intelligence memo focusing on counterinsurgency situations of significance anywhere in the world, this memo to be produced and distributed every Monday afternoon for use by the Senior Interdepartmental Group in their deliberations every Tuesday. OCI is invited to call on any component of the Agency for assistance in the production of this memorandum series. (DD/I)

  
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